

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Metropolitan Police Department

Traffic Division

August 6, 1963

TRAFFIC PLAN IN CONNECTION WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATION TO BE HELD  
IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1963:

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I. Basic objectives of the traffic plan.

A. Two basic elements

1. Establishment of bus parking areas
  - a. Parking space for approximately 2,000 buses
  - b. Close proximity of demonstration
  - c. Routes of entry into parking areas
  - d. Control over parking areas
  - e. Departure from parking areas
2. Orderly movement of vehicular traffic around restricted areas
  - a. A.M. rush-hour traffic
  - b. Traffic flow during pre-march period
  - c. Traffic flow during march and program period
  - d. Traffic flow during dispersal period
  - e. Public transportation facilities
  - f. Restoration of traffic to normal pattern

II. Bus parking areas

A. Four parking zones

1. Zone No. 1
2. Zone No. 2
3. Zone No. 3
4. Zone No. 4

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B. Location of parking zones

1. Zone No. 1 - From the west curb of 11th Street, N.W. to the east curb of 23rd Street, N.W.; from the north curb of Constitution Avenue to the south curb of E Street between 23rd Street and Virginia Avenue and thence in an easterly direction along the south curb of Virginia Avenue to New York Avenue and thence east along the south curb of South E Street, N.W. to the west curb of 11th Street, N.W. Also, 17th Street between Independence Avenue and the south curb of Constitution Avenue, N.W.
2. Zone No. 2 - Independence Avenue, S.W., from 15th Street to 23rd Street and the drives in West Potomac Park.
3. Zone No. 3 - From the west curb of 17th Street, N.W. to the east curb of 23rd Street, N.W.; from the south curb of H Street to the north curb of Virginia Avenue between 23rd Street and North E Street, N.W. and thence easterly along the north curb of North E Street and New York Avenue, N.W. to the west curb of 17th Street, N.W.
4. Zone No. 4 - From the west curb of 7th Street, N.W. and S.W. to the east curb of 11th Street, N.W. and S.W.; from the north curb of Independence Avenue, S.W. to the south curb of Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. and E Street between 13th Street and 11th Street, N.W.

Note: No bus parking permitted in Zone No. 1 on Constitution Avenue from 11th Street to 23rd Street, N.W., and on the east side of 15th Street between Constitution Avenue and E Street. No parking in Zone No. 4 on 12th Street, N.W. between Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Avenue, N.W., and Constitution Avenue from Pennsylvania Avenue to 11th Street, N.W.

C. Priority to use of bus parking zones and parking within the zones.

1. Parking Zone No. 1 to be primary parking area and streets shall be filled to capacity in the order listed:

Ellipse Roadways

15th Street, N.W. - (west side only)  
17th Street, N.W.  
1700 blocks of C and D Streets, N.W.  
18th Street, N.W.  
1800 block of C Street, N.W.  
19th Street, N.W.  
1900 block of C Street, N.W.  
20th Street, N.W.  
2000 block of C Street, N.W.  
21st Street, N.W.  
2100 block of C Street, N.W.  
22nd Street, N.W.  
2200 block of C Street, N.W.

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3. Buses approaching the bus parking areas via South Capitol Street shall proceed north on South Capitol Street to Canal Street, S.W.; northwest on Canal Street to First Street, S.W.; north on First Street, S.W. to Independence Avenue, S.W. and thence west on Independence Avenue, S.W. to Bus Control Point located on the north side of Independence Avenue just east of 9th Street where they will be directed into available parking areas in the order listed in II-C.
4. Buses approaching the bus parking areas from Key Bridge, Chain Bridge, and Route 240 shall enter Virginia Avenue at 26th Street, N.W. and thence east on Virginia Avenue to the Bus Control Point on 23rd Street just south of Virginia Avenue, N.W. They shall then be directed to the Bus Control Point at 23rd Street and C Street and moved into the available parking area in the order listed in II-C.
5. Buses approaching the reserved parking areas over routes other than the ones listed above shall select a route which will lead them to one of the following Bus Control Points where they will be directed into available parking areas in the order listed in II-C.

7th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Independence Avenue at 9th Street, S.W.  
Independence Avenue at 14th Street, S.W.  
14th Street, S.W., just south of Independence Avenue.  
23rd Street south of Virginia Avenue, N.W.  
23rd Street at C Street, N.W.  
14th Street at E Street, N.W.

E. Bus control into parking zones

1. Motorcycle escorts

- a. Motorcycle officers positioned at the following locations to provide escort service for the buses to the Bus Control Points:

Washington-Baltimore Parkway at D.C. line  
Bladensburg Road and the D.C.-Maryland line  
Wisconsin Avenue and the D.C.-Maryland line  
Connecticut Avenue and the D.C.-Maryland line  
Chain Bridge  
Key Bridge  
Memorial Bridge  
South Capitol Street Bridge  
11th Street Bridge  
Sousa Bridge  
East Capitol Street Bridge  
Benning Road at Minnesota Avenue  
Massachusetts Avenue and Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.

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## 2. Bus Control Points

- a. Locations. (See Annex "B")
- b. Personnel. (See Annex "B")
- c. Buses to be parked on both sides of street headed in the direction indicated by the green arrow (→) in Annex "A", except on Jefferson Drive in front of the Smithsonian, Independence Avenue from 15th Street to 23rd Street, in the short section of Tidal Basin Drive leading to Ohio Drive in West Potomac Park, and 15th Street, N.W. (parking on one side of roadway only on these latter streets.)
- d. Buses may be parked abreast on the following streets if necessary: (This to be permitted only after all zones have been filled to capacity.)

West side of 15th Street, N.W., E Street to Constitution Avenue  
West side of 17th Street, N.W., E Street to Constitution Avenue  
C Street, N.W., 21st Street to 23rd Street.

## 7. Departure of buses at conclusion of activity

### 1. From Zone No. 1

- a. Buses departing from 15th Street shall proceed north to E Street and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
- b. Buses departing from the East Ellipse roadways shall proceed south to Constitution Avenue, east on Constitution Avenue to 7th or 3rd Street and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
- c. Buses departing from 17th Street, N.W., between Constitution Avenue and E Street, shall proceed north to E Street and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
- d. Buses departing from 17th Street between Constitution Avenue and Independence Avenue, S.W., shall proceed south to Independence Avenue or north to Constitution Avenue or E Street and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
- e. Buses departing from C and D Street shall proceed east to the nearest cross street and thence north to E Street or Virginia Avenue, N.W. and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.

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- f. Buses departing from 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd Streets, N.W. shall proceed north to E Street and thence to the District of Columbia line by the most direct route. (Buses parked on 22nd Street, N.W. between Constitution Avenue and C Street, shall proceed north on 22nd Street to C Street, east on C Street to 21st and thence north on 21st Street, N.W.)
  - g. Buses parked on Virginia Avenue, N.W. shall depart the area by proceeding north on Virginia Avenue and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
2. From Zone No. 2
- a. Departure from Zone No. 2 shall be eastbound to 14th Street or 15th Street, or westbound to Rock Creek Parkway and thence to the D.C.-Maryland or -Virginia line via the most direct route. (Memorial Bridge to be used also if open to traffic.)
3. From Zone No. 3
- a. Buses parked on G Street shall proceed west to Virginia Avenue, N.W. and thence north on Virginia Avenue or the Parkway. Buses departing from G Street may also turn north at 18th Street, 20th Street or 22nd Street.
  - b. Buses parked on F Street shall proceed east to 17th Street and thence north on 17th Street and to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route. Buses may also depart from F Street by turning north on 18th, 20th, 22nd Streets, N.W. or south to E Street via 19th and 21st Streets, N.W. and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
  - c. Buses parked on 18th, 20th, and 22nd Streets, N.W. shall proceed north to Pennsylvania Avenue and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route. Or they may turn east on F Street or west on G Street and exit in the same manner as the buses parked on the two latter streets.
  - d. Buses parked on 19th and 21st Streets, N.W. shall proceed south to E Street and depart the area via east or west on E Street. They may turn east on F Street or west on G Street and exit in the same manner as the buses parked on these two latter streets.
4. From Zone No. 4
- a. Exit from the Mall Drives shall be east to 7th Street and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.
  - b. Buses departing from 9th Street shall proceed north to the first cross street and thence east and to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.

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- c. Buses departing from 9th and 10th Streets, N.W., between Constitution Avenue and Pennsylvania Avenue shall proceed north to Pennsylvania Avenue and thence to the District of Columbia line via the most direct route.

### III. Vehicular traffic flow around the restricted area.

#### A. During the A.M. traffic rush hour period

1. Parking will be restricted in all bus parking zones and on all main arteries leading to the areas starting at 12:01 a.m., August 28, 1963. (See Annex "A".)
2. Illegally parked vehicles to be impounded and removed to following locations:
  - a. 20th, 21st and 22nd Streets, H Street to Pa. Avenue, N.W.
  - b. C Street, N.W., John Marshall to 7th Street, N.W.
  - c. Mall Drives between 6th and 7th Streets.
3. Normal traffic pattern until 9:30 a.m.

#### B. During assembly and pre-march period

1. No traffic, other than buses proceeding to designated parking areas, shuttle buses, or authorized emergency vehicles or other authorized vehicles, on Constitution Avenue, N.W. between Pennsylvania Avenue and 23rd Street after 9:30 a.m.
2. No traffic in Zone No. 1 after 9:30 a.m. except buses proceeding to parking areas, and emergency and other authorized and properly identified vehicles.
3. Normal flow of traffic in Zone 2.
4. Traffic shall follow its normal pattern in Zone 3 unless an emergency situation should arise which would dictate the closing of this area to all traffic except the buses parked in the zone.
5. Zone 4 will be closed to all traffic at 9:30 a.m. to be held available for bus parking should this area be needed. Traffic will continue to flow north on 12th Street from Constitution Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue, but not southbound.
6. All bridges and 23rd Street open to traffic during this phase.

#### C. Traffic flow during march

1. No vehicular traffic permitted in Zone 1 and south of Virginia Avenue, N.W. outside of Zone No. 1. (Eastbound traffic to flow through Virginia Avenue to New York Avenue and thence east on New York Avenue and E Street, N.W.)

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2. No vehicular traffic permitted to cross Memorial Bridge.  
(Approaches to bridge to be barricaded on the Virginia end.  
Approach to bridge from Rock Creek Parkway to be barricaded.)
  3. Traffic permitted to flow on roadways in Zone No. 2 so as to proceed east or west on Independence Avenue, S.W., between 15th Street and 23rd Streets. (Memorial Bridge is closed during this phase.)
  4. No restriction on the flow of traffic in Zone 3.
  5. No traffic permitted in Zone No. 4 except northbound traffic on 12th Street from Constitution Avenue, N.W.
  6. Traffic will continue to flow on 14th Street, N.W. and S.W. during this phase.
- D. Traffic flow during program and demonstration at the Lincoln Memorial
1. No vehicular traffic permitted in Zone 1 and south of Virginia Avenue, N.W. outside of Zone No. 1. (Eastbound traffic to flow through Virginia Avenue to New York Avenue and thence east on New York Avenue and E Street, N.W.)
  2. No vehicular traffic permitted to cross Memorial Bridge.  
(Approaches to bridge to be barricaded on the Virginia end.  
Approach to bridge from Rock Creek Parkway to be barricaded.)
  3. Traffic permitted to flow on roadways in Zone No. 2 so as to proceed east or west on Independence Avenue, S.W. between 15th Street and 23rd Streets. (Memorial Bridge is closed during this phase.)
  4. No restriction on the flow of traffic in Zone 3.
  5. No traffic permitted in Zone No. 4 except northbound traffic on 12th Street from Constitution Avenue, N.W.
  6. Traffic will continue to flow on 14th Street, N.W. and S.W. during this phase.
- E. Traffic flow during dispersal period
1. Same as in III-D until spectators and demonstrators have moved from the Lincoln Memorial and the roadways around the Memorial are clear.
  2. Restrict the movement of vehicular traffic in Zone No. 3 if indicated necessary by the pedestrian movement or other situation.

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3. Restore southbound traffic on 23rd Street and across Memorial Bridge once the roadways around Lincoln Memorial are clear.
4. Vehicular traffic excluded from Zones 1 and 4 through the dispersal phase.

F. Restoration of traffic to normal pattern.

1. Restore traffic to normal pattern when majority of buses have departed the reserved parking areas.
2. Special parking privileges granted these buses expire at 12:00 Midnight, August 28, 1963.
3. Restore traffic on Constitution Avenue, N. W. when the roadway is no longer needed for the movement of pedestrians.

G. Public transportation facilities

1. Temporary bus routes. Annex "C"
2. Shuttle bus service to and from Union Station. Annex "C"
3. Unloading areas for taxicabs and limousines. Annex "C"

IV. General

A. Emergency streets

1. 7th Street, N.W. and S.W.
2. 12th Street, N.W. (Northbound only)
3. 14th Street, N.W. and S.W.
4. 17th Street, N.W. and S.W.
5. E Street, N.W.
6. 23rd Street, N.W.
7. E Street, 17th Street to 23rd Street

Note: Authorized emergency vehicles will be permitted to flow through all streets reserved for bus parking.

B. Government employees

1. No on-street parking facilities available in Zones 1, 2, 3 and 4
2. Employees having off-street parking facilities must be in such areas no later than 9:15 a.m.
3. Employees departing from off-street parking facilities in Zone No. 1 north of Constitution Avenue, N.W. must depart from the area by proceeding north. Under no conditions will they be permitted to proceed south to Constitution Avenue.

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Employees departing from off-street parking facilities in Zone No. 1 south of Constitution Avenue may only depart the area by proceeding south on 17th Street, N.W.

Employees departing from off-street parking facilities in Zone No. 4 north of Constitution Avenue must proceed north on 9th, 10th, and 12th Streets, N.W. 14th Street and 7th Street will be open to traffic.

4. Government officials desiring to enter Zones 1 and 4 to proceed to off-street parking facilities will be admitted to such zones if they approach the areas with their vehicle head lamps burning and upon exhibition of proper identification.

*William J. Liveman*

William J. Liveman  
Deputy Chief of Police  
In Charge of Traffic

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

# Memorandum

TO : File

DATE: 8/12/63  
2:00 p.m.

FROM : James J. P. McShane  
Chief, Executive Office for United States Marshals

SUBJECT: MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM OF RED CROSS BUILDING RE:  
CIVIL RIGHTS RALLY AUGUST 28.

Attached list shows those attending.

Dr. Heath said there are dispensaries available in Tempo.  
Buildings J-1019 and K-1021.

Tents will be established at the following locations, to be  
used as First Aid Stations:

- (a) One at 15th St. and Constitution Ave. (S. E. corner)
- (b) Two tents at South Side of Constitution Avenue, on  
Monument Grounds.
- (c) One tent on north side of Constitution Avenue on  
Ellipse (16th Street and Constitution Avenue)
- (d) One mobile Red Cross van at foot of Monument.
- (e) One tent at Paul Jones statue - 17th Street and  
Independence Avenue)
- (f) One tent at 23d Street and Constitution Avenue
- (g) One tent at Bacon Drive
- (h) One tent at Reflecting Pool (behind gate, near  
Munitions Building).
- (i) One tent on north side of 23d Street and Independence  
Avenue.
- (j) One tent in reserve.

A. TRAFFIC

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Government Official

Telephone

1. PARKING

Deputy Wm J. LIVERMAN

137-271

2. TRAFFIC ROUTING

Deputy Wm J. LIVERMAN

137-271

3. NO PARKING SIGNS

4. TOWS

5. FIRE ENGINES

6. DIRECTION SIGNS

B. HEALTH

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Government Official

Telephone

B. HEALTH

7. RED CROSS TENTS

Dan Lawrence

8. RED CROSS DISPENSARIES

Dan Lawrence

9. RED CROSS AMBULANCES

10. NATIONAL GUARD AMBULANCES

11. DRINKING WATER

Dr. Fred Heath (Public Health)  
David Auld (Sanitation)

12. FOOD

Robert Ayers (G.S.T.)

13. TOILETS

Dr. Fred Heath  
Johnny-on-the-spot (Contractor)

13a. REFUSE CANS

David Auld

AUGUST 28

Dr. Frederick Heath of the Public Health Service announced the following plans for health facilities in connection with the August 28 March.

I. Health Plans

A. Locations in Permanent Structures

1. Department of Commerce (1)
2. Main Navy (2)
3. Munitions Building (2)
4. Tempos J,K,L (entering through gates 21,23,24 (1)
5. Union Station (1)
6. A Public Health nurse and an ambulance at the Greyhound and Trailway bus stations to be serviced as necessary by the Police and Fire Clinic located at 13th and K Streets.

B. Tents - 16 x 32 size  
(furnished by the National Guard)

1. 14th and Constitution
2. 14th and Constitution directly north of the monument
3. 17th and Constitution
4. The Ellipse at 17th and Constitution
5. Bacon Drive
6. 23rd and Constitution
7. South of the Memorial
8. Along the north side of Independence Avenue
9. " " " " " " "
10. " " " " " " "
11. Jones Statue
12. Monument grounds - location not fixed

This comprises a total of 22 clinics in 18 different locations.

II. Water

- A. Bubblers - in 48 person capacity attached to fire hydrants

1. 15th Street (6)
2. 16th Street (2)
3. Constitution Avenue (3)
- 4.
5. 18th Street (2)
6. 22nd Street (2)
7. 23rd Street (1)
8. J, K, and L (2)
9. Jones Statue (1)

This comprises a total of 22 fountains in 13 locations.

B. Tank Trucks - 8 trucks of 2500 gallon capacity with 12 fountains per tank located on the streets in the Monument and Memorial areas.

C. Water Tanks - Five 250 gallon water tanks from the National Guard with 10,000 paper cups.

This comprises a total of 34 fountains in 22 general locations and is designed to furnish 35,000 drinks per hour.

### III. Toilets - 244 - 8

#### A. Permanent Locations

- |                       |   |                     |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------|
| 1. Main Navy          | ) |                     |
| 2. Munitions          | ) | No outside markings |
| 3. Tempos J, K, and L | ) |                     |
| 4. Sherman Park       | ) |                     |

B. Comfort Stations - 4 mobile trailers of the National Capitol Parks

1. 15th and Constitution
2. 16th and Constitution
3. 23rd and Constitution

#### C. Chemical Toilets

1. East Ellipse area (1)
2. 17th and Constitution (2)
3. Constitution and Bacon (2)
4. 23rd and Constitution (1)
5. West Potomac (1)

This comprises toilets at 26 locations, 9 fixed, 4 trailers and 13 chemical. This contemplates 120 seats by commercial contract in batteries or banks of 8 to 10 seats. The comfort stations have 6 seats and 2 urinals. Contractors are to set up the chemical toilets within 48 hours before August 28 and to remove them within 48 hours after August 28. The contractors are to service the chemical toilets by a scavenger service and the Public Health Department will inspect them to see that they are properly maintained.

UNITED AUTOMOBILE WORKERS OF AMERICA  
UNITED AIR LINES CHARTER AND SCHEDULED FLIGHT SUMMARY  
AUGUST 28, 1963

Charter No. 5773 - DC6B - Detroit/Washington - Round Trip  
58 Passengers - Detroit Willow Run Airport

Leave Willow Run Airport  
Arrive Dulles International

7:05 AM EST  
10:00 AM EDT

Leave Dulles International  
Arrive Willow Run Airport

9:45 PM EST  
10:35 PM EST

Charter No. 5774 - DC6b - Flint/Washington - Round Trip  
58 Passengers - Flint Bishop Airport

Leave Bishop Airport  
Arrive Dulles International

7:15 AM EST  
10:15 AM EDT

Leave Dulles International  
Arrive Bishop Airport

9:30 PM EDT  
10:50 PM EST

Charter No. 5775 - DC6B - Grand Rapids/Saginaw/Washington - Round Trip  
58 Passengers - Grand Rapids Kent County Airport  
Saginaw Tri-City Airport

Leave Kent County Airport  
Arrive Tri-City Airport  
Leave Tri-City Airport  
Arrive Dulles International

6:30 AM EST  
7:04 AM EST  
7:25 AM EST  
10:30 AM EDT

Leave Dulles International  
Arrive Tri-City Airport  
Leave Tri-City Airport  
Arrive Kent County Airport

10:00 PM EDT  
11:20 PM EST  
11:40 PM EST  
12:14 AM EST

Charter No. 5776 - DC7T - Chicago/Washington - Round Trip  
86 Passengers - Chicago O'Hare International Airport

Leave O'Hare International Airport  
Arrive Dulles International

7:40 AM CDT  
11:00 AM EDT

Leave Dulles International  
Arrive O'Hare International Airport

9:00 PM EDT  
10:40 PM CDT

Charter No. 5777 - DC7F - Chicago/Washington - Round Trip  
58 Passengers - Chicago O'Hare International Airport

Leave O'Hare International Airport

7:30 PM EDT

Arrive Dulles International

11:15 AM EDT

Leave Dulles International

8:45 PM EDT

Arrive O'Hare International Airport

10:25 PM CDT

Flight No. 241 - Viscount - Cleveland/Washington - One Way  
43 Reservations - Cleveland Hopkins Airport

Leave Hopkins Airport

8:00 AM EDT

Arrive National Airport

9:25 AM EDT

Flight No. 509 - DC6F - Washington/Cleveland - One Way  
43 Reservations - Washington National Airport

Leave National Airport

7:30 PM EDT

Arrive Hopkins Airport

9:10 PM EDT

Flight No. 300 (Northwest Airlines) DC6 - Detroit/Washington - One Way  
58 Passengers - Metropolitan Airport

Leave Metropolitan

7:00 AM EST

Arrive National Airport

10:01 AM EST

Flight No. 315 - Northwest Electro - Washington/Detroit - One Way  
58 Passengers - National Airport

Leave National Airport

7:30 PM EDT

Arrive Metropolitan

8:37 PM EST

MEDICAL SUPPLIES:

Cots and Blankets - McAllester, Civil Defense - will be responsible.

Emergency Drugs - Dan Leonard will make a list of emergency drugs that are needed.

Health Department will coordinate; also will provide 5-gallon water cans (4 cans to each Station).

COMMUNICATIONS:

First Aid Stations will use Red Cross radio frequency.

AMBULANCES:

Dan Leonard will supply 20 ambulances for tents (two to a tent).

Army (N. G.) will supply 14 ambulances.

Dave Fry will coordinate with Col. Jung.

AMBULANCE SUPPLIES:

14 Army ambulances will be equipped.

SIGNS:

Absefeller, GSA, will take care of signs inside the buildings, tents and entrances to buildings.

Dan Leonard will make list with specifications and give to Dave Fry.

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LOG OF ITEMS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MEDICAL HEALTH  
AND SANITARY FACILITIES FOR CIVIL RIGHTS MARCH

ITEM	NUMBER REQUIRED	RESPONSIBILITY	PROGRESS
1. Locating First Aid Stations			
A. Fixed Facilities	11 clinics	Sam Leonard	
B. Tents and Flies	9 tents 8/26 - to be put up	Sam Leonard	
2. Supervision for Setting up Tents		Sam Leonard	Sam Leonard and Jack Jung
3. Medical Supplies and Equipment			Dr B - Smith Defender - Blankets - with Sam Leonard
4. Water Supply for First Aid Stations			5 gal. canisters to supply by M. G. - Jack Jung - June 3
A. Handwashing Facilities			" " " " " " " " " "
B. Cleansing Wounds			" " " " " " " " " "
C. Drinking Water			" " " " " " " " " "
5. Communications			
6. Patient Records		Sam Leonard	Will see that appropriate authorities get reports.
7. Ambulance Support	34	Sam Leonard Sam Leonard Sam Leonard (all June) Sam Leonard (all June) Sam Leonard (all June)	Sam supply 20 ambulances for tents. Will supply 14 ambulances.
8. Supplies for Ambulances		Overfelled 3500 - demand and try - need more.	Inside buildings Outside buildings
9. Directional Signs			
10. Physicians			
11. Reg. Nurses		Will need 34 man-days 68 man days - 2 of for each doctor.	

ITEM	NUMBER REQUIRED	RESPONSIBILITY	PROGRESS
12. Receptionist and recorder at tents		<i>Log Sergeant</i>	
13. Litter Bearers		<i>Ambulance personnel</i>	
14. Drinking Water			
1. A. Location of fire plugs for bubblers			
B. Providing bubblers			
C. Flusher tanks with bubblers			
D. Providing bubbler attachment			
E. Water tanks from Army			
15. Toilet Facilities			
A. Locating in Fixed Buildings			
3 B. Locating toilet trailers - Nat. Parks			
C. Locating Chemical Toilets			
1. D. D. C. Gov't. semi-mobile toilet trailer			
E. Maintenance			
16. Preparing Contracts for rental of Chem. Toilets			
17. Headquarters			
A. Manning			
B. Communications			

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ITEM	NUMBER REQUIRED	RESPONSIBILITY	PROGRESS
C. Emergency Vehicles			
18. Police security at F.A. Station			
19. Police - Traffic for ambulances			
20. Police - Emergency Vehicles			
21. Police - Scavenger			
22. Locating manholes for dumping and flushing			
22.3 <i>Gas bonds for medical and nursing</i>		<i>Sam Leonard</i>	
<i>Other personnel</i>		<i>Donnell</i>	
24. Lunches for working personnel			
25. Life guards in Reflecting Pool	2	<i>Sam Leonard</i>	



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
WASHINGTON 1. D. C.

OFFICE OF THE  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

August 7, 1963

MEMORANDUM TO: The Commissioners, D. C.  
THROUGH: Commissioner John B. Duncan  
SUBJECT: Provision of medical, health and sanitary  
facilities for the Civil Rights March on  
August 28, 1963

This follows my memorandum to you dated July 26, in which I made certain requests in connection with this program and also indicated the need for additional information. This was followed by a memorandum dated July 29 requesting the Commissioners to issue an Order relative to the care of non-resident patients. This current memorandum updates the previous two.

I, and selected members of my staff, have had several planning conferences with representatives of the Department of Justice, the Surgeon General of the Army, the General Services Administration, the National Park Service, the Metropolitan Police Department, the Fire Department, the Department of Sanitary Engineering, the Office of Civil Defense, the D. C. Chapter of the American Red Cross, the D. C. medical societies, the voluntary contract hospitals, the Visiting Nurse Association, and the local citizens having responsibility for helping plan the March.

Based upon these meetings and upon the factual data resulting therefrom, I am requesting the following action by the Commissioners:

1. A Commissioners' Order authorizing the Department of Public Health to proceed to develop and execute a coordinated program for the provision of medical, health and sanitary facilities in connection with the August 28 Civil Rights March. This Order should include authorization for the Department to purchase or furnish drugs or first-aid supplies to the extent necessary to supplement the supplies to be furnished by the American Red

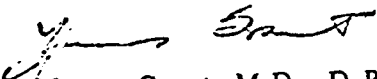
Cross for use in approximately fourteen first-aid stations. (The cost will probably be less than \$500 and the Department can absorb such costs.) This Order should also include general authority for the Department of Public Health to take promptly such measures as may be needed, including the expenditure of funds to deal with any circumstances which cannot now be anticipated. This Order should also include authority for the Department of Public Health to close clinics to the extent necessary to provide for an adequate number of physicians and nurses to operate the first-aid stations.

2. That a further Commissioners' Order be issued as follows:  
"That from 12:01 p.m., August 27, 1963 to 12:00 noon, August 29, 1963, non-resident medically indigent patients receiving care as emergency patients at the private hospitals under contract to the District of Columbia or at the District of Columbia General Hospital shall be considered as patients eligible for care at the expense of the District of Columbia.
3. Authorization for the Department of Sanitary Engineering to purchase or fabricate and install approximately 21 drinking water bubblers to be attached to selected fire hydrants. The estimated cost will be \$2,350. The Department of Sanitary Engineering should also be authorized to set up one comfort station at an estimated cost of \$1,000. In addition, authorization is required for the Department of Sanitary Engineering to request the D. C. Procurement Office to contract for the rental of 120 chemical toilets at a total estimated cost of \$5,400. The Department of Sanitary Engineering should also be authorized to request the National Park Service to set up three mobile toilet trailers.
4. The Department of Public Health should be authorized to request the Department of Highways to make the necessary number of signs indicating the location of first-aid stations, water supplies and toilet facilities.

5. Authority is requested for the Office of Civil Defense to participate to the extent necessary and for the Department of Public Health to accept volunteer services from the community agencies or individuals to assist in operating the first-aid stations and stand-by ambulances.
6. It is requested that the Commissioners issue a policy statement concerning leave on August 28 to the effect that no leave will be granted to essential personnel necessary to maintain security, sanitation, communication and medical and health services.

It should be mentioned that the Surgeon General of the Army has agreed to furnish, erect and remove from six to ten army tents for use as first-aid stations, in addition to emergency water cans, small mobile water tanks and ambulances for stand-by pre-positioning.

I should like to point out the desirability of the Commissioners taking immediate action in order that adequate preparations may be made to meet the medical, health and sanitary needs on August 28, 1963. Any delay will make the achievement of our mission in connection with the August 28 program difficult, if not impossible.

  
Murray Grant, M.D., D.P.H.  
Director of Public Health

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8/1/63  
2:30 p.m.

James J. P. McShane  
Chief, Executive Office for United States Marshals

**MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AUGUST 28 RALLY**

A meeting was held in Room 205, Red Cross Building, 2025 E St., N. W., to discuss first aid and medical facilities relative to the August 28 Rally.

**Attending were:**

Dr. Fred Heath, 1st Deputy Director of Public Health (137-3095)  
Francis H. Cobb, Chapter Manager, D. C. Chapter, American Red Cross (170-3671)  
Douglas H. McAllester, Civil Defense Representative, D. C. Department of Health, c/o Department of Health, 4820 Howard Street, N. W. (137-791).  
Daniel Leonard, Director, Safety and Disaster Service, D. C. Chapter, Red Cross (170-642)  
David Fry, Hospital Operations Officer, D. C. Department of Health (137-3216)  
Richard Knapp, Operations Officer, D. C. Office of Civil Defense, 137-791 or 362-9710)  
James J. P. McShane, Chief, Executive Office for U. S. Marshals.

Dr. Heath said the purpose of the meeting was to discuss locations for First Aid and medical facilities. He also wanted to know what the plans were for the location of the Rally, and I informed him what had transpired in meetings with Chief Murray and police officials.

Dr. Heath said they had made tentative plans to have First Aid and/or Restroom facilities in some of the following Government buildings:

Commerce Building	14th between E St. and Constitution Ave.
Tempo. Building T-3	17th and Constitution Avenue
Navy Building	17th to 19th on Constitution Avenue
Interior Building	C St., between 18th and 19th Streets
Pan American Aca. Annex	Constitution Av., between 18th and 19th
Munitions Building	19th and Constitution Avenue

National Science Foundation  
State Building  
Tempo Buildings K-L-J

19th and Constitution Avenue  
22d and C Streets  
Lincoln Memorial to Constitution  
Avenue, N. W.

Old Printing & Engraving Building  
North Agriculture Building  
New Smithsonian Building  
Union Station

14th and Independence Ave., N. W.  
14th and Independence Ave., N. W.  
12th and Constitution Ave., N. W.  
1st St. & Massachusetts Ave., N.E.

They wanted me to have someone contact GSA to get blanket permission to use the lobby of some of these buildings. I told them I would discuss it with Mr. Douglas.

Mr. Leonard said the Red Cross will have six ambulances and a mobile First Air Unit located at the Memorial or the Ellipse, depending on where the larger crowd is gathered. If necessary, they can get additional ambulances from their Chapter in Baltimore. All ambulances have a radio which is tuned on 47.42 megacycles, FM, the National Red Cross disaster frequency. The dispatching facilities are located in the D. C. Chapter Building, and a hookup will be provided with Civil Defense at 6:00 p.m., August 27. Mr. Leonard, or his substitute, will be responsible for providing ambulance service.

Tentative plans have been made to have first aid stations at the following locations:

- 4 stations in Govt. building in the vicinity of the Ellipse
- 1 on the Monument grounds
- 1 in the Navy Building
- 1 in the Munitions Building
- 1 in the Medicine & Surgery Building
- 1 by the Memorial
- 1 at 23d St. and Constitution Ave.
- 1 on each side of the Reflecting Pool

Total of 12 Stations and one Mobile First Aid Van.

At each of these Stations a police car will be assigned. Each Station will be staffed with one doctor and 2 nurses. The Stations will be housed in a pyramidal 16 x 16 tent. An additional first aid station at Union Station will also be staffed with a doctor and two nurses from the Health Department.

The conference group agreed on the following assignment of responsibilities:

#### SUPPLIES

Civil Defense will furnish paper blankets and litter cots. If the Government dispensaries utilized will furnish their own first aid supplies, the Red Cross will not bill the District for other supplies used in their stations. Civil Defense has two hundred (200) litter cots at D. C. General Hospital from which the required amount can be drawn. It will not be necessary to return the paper blankets. The Health Department will arrange with the Department of Corrections to transport these supplies.

#### PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

It was agreed that the Health Department would assume responsibility for providing professional personnel but that volunteer nurses would be provided by the Red Cross and that Visiting Nurses Association personnel would also be used.

Dr. John R. Pate, Chief, Bureau of Disease Control, Department of Public Health, will have the specific responsibility for the assignment and movement of doctors. Miss Mildred E. Nagua, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Public Health Nursing, will be responsible for the assignment and movement of all nurses. In order to free professional personnel, the Health Department will go on a "Sunday schedule" on the day of the March.

It was noted that we could anticipate about 1,000 casualties in a group of this size.

#### SIGNS

Dr. Heath will request the D. C. Commissioners' permission to utilize the sign-making facilities of the Department of Highways and Traffic and/or other D. C. agencies together with the labor to erect such signs.

Mr. Leonard will provide Dr. Heath with an order for signs, plus samples.

#### INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION

The Police Department expects to provide arm bands for key personnel and it is understood that buttons are being sold to the March participants.

Mr. Fry will prepare a proposed Commissioners' order, specifying the identification which will be used.

MOBILE COMMUNICATION

Both the R-4 Cross and the Department of Civil Defense are prepared to furnish walkie-talkies and other mobile communication equipment.

Civil Defense radio operations will begin at midnight, August 27, 1953. It will be necessary for both the Police and Fire Departments to furnish communication personnel to man their facilities.

It was requested that I -

1. Contact the Surgeon General to have him instruct Dr. Horsler (phonetic), Public Health, to give permission to use all Clinics in Government buildings;
2. Have GSA make available space in Government buildings where it is considered necessary to have a first aid station.
3. Have Army provide tents and necessary equipment and personnel to erect the tents.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Department of Public Health  
Washington, D. C.

Civil Rights March Planning Conference  
D. C. Chapter Bldg., ARC  
August 1, 1963

On August 1, 1963, a meeting was held at the D. C. Chapter of the American Red Cross for the purpose of planning for medical and health facilities to be provided for the Civil Rights March on August 28, 1963.

The following individuals attended the meeting:

Mr. James McShane, U. S. Department of Justice  
Mr. Douglas McAllister, Department of Public Health  
Mr. Richard Knapp, Office of Civil Defense  
Mr. Daniel Leonard, American Red Cross  
Mr. Henry Cobb, American Red Cross  
Dr. Frederick Heath, Department of Public Health  
Mr. David Fry, Department of Public Health

Mr. McShane stated that he had already met with Police Chief Robert V. Murray and offered the assistance of the Department of Justice in arranging for facilities and personnel during the march. He said that about 100,000 individuals would be present and that the area involved would be from 14th Street, N. W. to 23rd Street, N. W. and from Independence Avenue, N. W. to C Street, N. W.

According to Mr. McShane, the participants will visit with the President on the Ellipse and then finally proceed across Bacon Drive to the Lincoln Memorial at which point there would be a speaker stand and some spectator stands.

The Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army has examined the marchers' plan to proceed from fifty churches in the city and states that the plan is impossible since even a battalion of trained troops could not go from the churches to the parade area in the time allotted.

Zone No. 1 for bus parking will be in the 22nd and 23rd Street area. This area will accommodate from 750 to 1,000 buses. Zone No. 2 will be from 14th Street to Second Street on the Mall, which will accommodate about 800 more buses.

Mr. McShane further stated that only one identified group is known at this time who will arrive together. This group from the United Auto Workers in Detroit will arrive by special train and be transported to the Ellipse by shuttle bus service which they have arranged.

The police have stated that the participants must leave the Lincoln Memorial by 4:00 P. M. at the latest and that the buses should be leaving the city at 6:00 P. M. The Memorial Bridge will be shut off before the ceremonies.

Dr. Heath stated that there would be a Police escort car and one ambulance at each first aid station and that the number of stations would be limited to 13, consisting of 12 fixed stations and a mobile van. Each station will be staffed with one doctor and two nurses and be housed in the pyramidal 10' x 16' tent. An additional first aid station at Union Station will be staffed by a doctor and nurse from the Health Department.

The conference group agreed on the following assignment of responsibility:

Supplies - Civil Defense will furnish paper blankets and litter cots. If the Government dispensaries utilized will furnish their own first aid supplies, the Red Cross will not bill the District for other supplies used in their stations. Civil Defense has two hundred (200) litter cots at D. C. General Hospital from which the required amount can be drawn. It will not be necessary to return the paper blankets. The Health Department will arrange with the Department of Corrections to transport these supplies.

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service. The Red Cross has six ambulances in Washington and can obtain others from Chapter in Baltimore. All of the ambulances have a radio which is tuned to 47.42 megacycles, F.M., the National Red Cross disaster frequency. The dispatching facilities are located in the D. C. Chapter Building and a hook-up will be provided with Civil Defense by 6:00 P. M. on August 27.

One Health Department ambulance will be provided at Union Station.

Federal Government Participation - Mr. McShane agreed to contact the Surgeon General to arrange for utilization of the specific dispensaries in the parade and assembly areas. He will also request that all Government Dispensaries operated by the Public Health Service be prepared to meet any other needs which may arise.

Mr. McShane will also contact General Services Administration to request their full cooperation in the use of Government buildings and will request the Department of Defense to provide the necessary tents, flies, and other equipment and supplies as may be needed, plus the labor necessary to erect the tents.

After Mr. McShane has informed us that this has been done and furnishes us with the names of contacts, the Department of Public Health will work out the details.

Signs - Dr. Heath will request the D. C. Commissioners' permission to utilize the sign-making facilities of the Department of Highways and Traffic and/or other D. C. agencies together with the labor to erect such signs.

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Mobile Communication - Both the Red Cross and the Department of Civil Defense are prepared to furnish walkie-talkies and other mobile communication equipment. Dr. Heath outlined his present communication set-up for Mr. McShane's information.

Civil Defense radio operations will begin on midnight, August 27, 1963. It will be necessary for both the Police and Fire Departments to furnish communication personnel to man their facilities.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

# PROPOSED LOCATIONS OF FIRST AID STATIONS

	<u>No. of Stations</u>
Monument Grounds	1
Ellipse, four buildings and one tent	5
Navy Building	2
Munitions Building	1
23rd and Constitution Avenue (near sanitary hook-up point)	1
Temporary building (near Lincoln Memorial)	1
Near Reflecting Pool and close to roadway near Monument	1
Mobile Van, placed according to <sup>MAS</sup> <del>last</del> pattern near Lincoln Mem.	1
Union Station	<u>1</u> - 2
Total First Aid Stations	14

Department of Public Health  
Washington 1, D. C.

Civil Rights March Planning Conference  
Office of Director, Department of Sanitary Engineering  
August 2, 1963

On August 2, 1963, a meeting was held in the Office of David Auld, Director, Department of Sanitary Engineering, for further discussion of measures to be taken during the Civil Rights March on August 28, 1963.

The following individuals attended the meeting:

Dr. Frederick C. Heath, Department of Public Health  
Mr. David Auld, Department of Sanitary Engineering  
Mr. William Cary, Jr., Department of Public Health  
Mr. David Fry, Department of Public Health  
Mr. James McShane, U. S. Department of Justice  
Mr. C. Sizemore, Department of Sanitary Engineering  
Mr. John B. Thomas, National Park Service (NCR)  
Mr. Theodore T. Smith, National Park Service (NCR)  
Mr. Allen B. Fay, Department of Sanitary Engineering

With reference to the previous conference of August 1, 1963, Mr. McShane stated that their liaison officer from the Department of Defense had informed them that the Department of Defense would provide the tents and that he would obtain the dispensary in the Navy Building.

Drinking Water Facilities -

Dr. Heath requested the opinion of those present as to the nature and extent of drinking water facilities which should be provided for the 100,000 participants.

Mr. Auld stated that they have six drinking water units which are attached to hydrants at the curb line to provide a good run off. Each of these units has four bubblers making a total of 24 bubblers which are now available. Mr. Sizemore stated that 800 persons per hour could use one drinking water unit.

It was the general opinion of those present that this number would be insufficient for the purpose. Dr. Heath suggested that a survey be made to obtain more definite information as to possible locations and as to the additional number of units that will be needed.

Mr. Sizemore, Superintendent of the Water Operations Division, Department of Sanitary Engineering, will be responsible for this survey. Mr. Cary, Chief of the Bureau of Environmental Health, Department of Public Health, will work with Mr. Sizemore, who will also be assisted by a representative of the National Park Service, designated by Mr. Smith.

Sanitary Facilities -

Two semi-mobile sanitary units are presently owned by the Department of Sanitary Engineering. It will cost a minimum of \$1,000 each to haul, assemble, and disassemble these units.

Mr. Auld stated that 15th and E Streets, N. W. was the only practical prepared site for such units since a special man-hole with water supply, sewerage disposal, and electricity are all available there. This means that only one of these units can be used.

The National Park Service has three trailer units, each of which has four stools, and two stools and two urinals for men. These units will be located as follows:

1. 15th and Constitution Avenue, Southeast corner.
2. East side of 16th and Constitution Avenue at the approach to the Ellipse Circle.
3. Southwest corner of 23rd and Constitution Avenue (over the "E" in WEST in the Esso map).

Six troop privies can be used in the Virginia Avenue bus parking area between 21st and 23rd Streets, N. W. The Lincoln Memorial has four stools for women and three stools for men plus two urinals. Their capacity per hour will be reported to Dr. Heath by Mr. Smith.

It will be necessary to rent chemical toilets and it is understood that the rent will be high. Some of these toilets have 30-gallon holding tanks and others have a 60-gallon capacity. Eight single units will be required at each location (four male and four female).

The contractors have requested authority to use man-holes in the vicinity of the operation with adjacent hydrants. Mr. Auld will authorize them to do so at two locations; one at each end of the parade and assembly area.

In total, about 100 of these units will be required, located as follows:

- 3 batteries on the Monument Grounds
- 5 batteries in the Lincoln Memorial area
- 2 batteries on the east side of the Ellipse, near the second division Monument and on the northwest corner of the Ellipse
- 1 or 2 on the Mall
- The balance to be scattered.

In addition to the facilities previously outlined, toilet facilities will be available in Government buildings in the parade and assembly area, particularly in the Navy Building, Munitions Building, Pan-American Building, Lock House, and on the Washington Monument Grounds.

Both the Department of Public Health and the Department of Sanitary Engineering will supervise the use of the man holes.

Two points were raised concerning the general plans for the march. Mr. Smith stated that there was a serious doubt as to whether buses could be parked on the grass lands in the Mall because of the sprinkler system imbedded therein. The systems were seriously damaged on a previous occasion by parked buses.

The second question, which has not been resolved, is whether the Monument Grounds or the Lincoln Memorial will be the final assembly point.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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8/2/63 (Friday)  
2:05 p.m.

James J. P. McShane  
Chief, Executive Office for United States Marshals

**TOILET FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED FOR AUGUST 28 RALLY**

Meeting was held in District Building, Room 304, and the following were present:

David V. Auld	D. C. Sanitary Engineer
William H. Cary, Jr.	Department of Health (D.C.)
David Fry	" " " "
Dr. Fred Heath	" " " "
Claude Sismore	Sanitary Engineer's office
Allan Fay	" " " "
John E. Thomas	U. S. Public Health Engineer
Theodore T. Smith	National Park Service

Dr. Heath requested the writer to have an answer by Monday, August 5, on getting GSA approval for use of space in Government buildings for first aid stations.

Mr. Auld stated his Department has six drinking water bubbler units. These bubblers are 8 feet long, and each bubbler has 4 outlets. For the American Legion Convention held here some years ago, they had an estimated crowd of 100,000, and the six units were sufficient to supply that crowd.

Mr. Auld said about 800 people per hour can utilize one unit.

Dr. Heath was of the opinion that there should be between 12 and 24 units placed in Zone 1. Mr. Sismore and Mr. Smith will make a survey as to where they best should be located.

**TOILET FACILITIES**

Sanitary Engineers have two large Semi-mobile units, each having 6 stools, plus urinals. Mr. Auld said they should be located on the west side of 15th Street and north of E. It is the only prepared location in Zone 1 area.

The National Park Service also has three trailer toilets, each having 6 stools and a urinal. They could be located at the following spots:

- (1) S. E. corner of 15th and Constitution Avenue
- (2) East side of 16th and Constitution Avenue
- (3) 23d and Constitution Avenue (Over the "a" in "West" on Esso map. Plumbers say this is only place in Memorial vicinity where a toilet can be located.)

There is a permanent toilet located on the S.W. corner of 17th St. and Constitution Avenue.

#### TROOP PRIVIES

Sanitary Engineers have 2' troop privies they could use, but they and Dr. Beath feel "Johnny-on-the-Spot" toilets would be better. Troop privies must be placed over manhole covers when in use. (They could not be used on Constitution Avenue, because the flow of water in the sewer there is so strong that anyone falling through his seat would, in all probability, be washed out to sea--or at least to the Potomac!!!) However, they could be used in some areas around Virginia Avenue, 23d to 24th Streets, where buses are being parked, with little danger of losing an occupant.

Also, in the vicinity of the Memorial they could place two--one for women has 4 seats and one for men has 3 seats and 2 urinals.

There are two companies that rent mobile toilets, Senti-Can and Johnny-on-the-Spot. Senti-Can has two types (30-gallon and 60-gallon) while Johnny-on-the-Spot is 40-gallon. Both are one-hol. rs. It costs as much to rent for one day as for one week. Each unit costs \$45.

There are also chemical toilets, called "Battery Toilets," that can be placed on rollers and made mobile. Each Battery consists of 8 units--4 "men" and 4 "women". Dr. Beath feels that 10 Batteries will be sufficient.

He and Mr. Auld will recommend to the Commissioners that 100 "Johnny-on-the-Spots" be rented for the day. Cost: \$4500.00.

Mr. Smith informed the writer that in Zone 2 the buses would not be permitted to park in the Mall. A new sprinkler system, costing thousands of dollars, was recently installed there.

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